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## Children's Museum receives \$25,000 from Thibodaux Lions Club

**Thibodaux, LA:** The Thibodaux Chapter of the Lions Club International Organization recently pledged \$25,000 to the Bayou Country Children's Museum. Funds will be used for construction of the museum when the BCCM breaks ground in June of 2010.

Mr. Clyde Naquin, charter member of the Lions Club had this to say: "The Lions Club's mission is to serve children. What better way could we do that than by supporting this project? We are incredibly proud to be a part of this. I look forward to walking through the museum doors with my own great grandchildren."

Member, John Ford challenges other organizations to do the same, "We would like to issue a challenge to the other local Lions Club chapters and other area civic organizations to become supporters of the Bayou Country Children's Museum.

The Bayou Country Children's Museum is just one of a number of organizations whom the Lions Club supports, financially. In addition to the commitment to the Bayou Country Children's Museum, the club just approved donating \$10,000 to Lafourche Parish Schools to purchase benches for eight area schools.

The Bayou Country Children's Museum, is planned as a 12,500 square foot facility with 50 unique exhibits highlighting the industry, agriculture, environment and Cajun culture of south Louisiana. It will also incorporate party rooms, meeting space, picnic areas and vegetable gardens. The BCCM will be near Nicholls State University to serve children ages 2 – 12 from within an eight parish area including Assumption, Ascension, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John, St. Mary, Terrebonne and beyond. It will act as an extension of the classroom since the exhibits will correspond to the GLE's (Grade Level Expectations) for the area schools.

The Bayou Country Children's Museum is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization.  
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